CHR BIOGRAPHIES

eration. RESIDED: in Harvey Hundred, St. Mary's County. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: Stephen Chilton (?-ca. 1773), of St. Mary's County. MOTHER: Ann. BROTHERS: Stephen (?-1776); George; Thomas; John; and William (?-by 1796). SISTERS: Ann, who married by 1770 (first name unknown) Leigh; Elizabeth, who married Dr. (first name unknown) Coleman, of Virginia. PRIVATE CAREER, EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIA-TION: Anglican, St. Andrew's Parish, St. Mary's County. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Esq. at death. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: probably a planter; owned two water mills by 1821. PUBLIC CAREER, LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, St. Mary's County, 1788 (Claims). OTHER STATE OF-FICES: Constitution Ratification Convention, St. Mary's County, 1788; associate justice, First District Court, appointed 1792 (did not qualify). LO-CAL OFFICES: justice, St. Mary's County, appointed 1791 and 1792; St. Andrew's Parish Vestry, St. Mary's County, in office 1791-1793, 1796, 1806-1809, 1812, 1819-1824. STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: in his will he manumitted all of his slaves unless they were too old to support themselves. Several received money and equipment, and provision was made for the maintenance of those who could not become selfsupporting. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. PER-SONAL PROPERTY: 6 slaves, 1790; assessed value £603.0.0, including 9 slaves and 3.5 oz. plate, 1793; 9 slaves, 20 oz. plate, and 2 water mills, 1821. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: probably 513 acres in St. Marv's County, SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: purchased 686 acres, patented 103 acres, and sold 513 acres all in St. Mary's County by 1821. WEALTH AT DEATH, DIED: will probated on April 20, 1824, in St. Mary's County. PER-SONAL PROPERTY: TEV, at least \$2,279.38 (including 10 slaves and books). LAND: 790 acres in St. Mary's County.

CHRISTISON, WENLOCK (?-1679). IMMIGRATED: by 1670 as a free adult, probably from Barbados. RESIDED: in Talbot County. MARRIED first, Mary. MARRIED second, by 1672 Elizabeth (?-1697), widow of Robert Harwood; daughter of John Gary; stepdaughter of *Peter Sharpe* (?-1671/72). She subsequently married William Dixon. Her brother was *William Sharpe* (ca. 1655-1699). CHILDREN. STEPSONS: Samuel Harwood; Peter Harwood; and John Harwood. DAUGHTERS: Elizabeth (1673-?); Mary, who married John Dine. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Quaker; active in

missionary work in New England and Barbados in the 1660s. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: planter. PUB-LIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Talbot County, 1676–1678 (Accounts 2; Security and Defense 2; Laws 2; died before the 3rd session). WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: over 300 acres (received grant of land from future Sharpe in-laws, 1670). WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: will probated on May 20, 1679. LAND: over 300 acres.

CLAGETT, THOMAS (1677-1732). BORN: in 1677 in Calvert County; probably first son. NA-TIVE: second generation. RESIDED: in Calvert County: Mount Calvert Hundred, Prince George's County, by 1699. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: Thomas Clagett, probably the son of Edward Clagett and wife Margaret, who was the daughter of Sir Thomas Adams, mayor of London, England; immigrated from England by 1670, became a militia captain, owned over 2,000 acres of land, and opposed the revolution of 1689. MOTHER: Sarah Patterson, of London, England. Charles, who married Maudlin (1697-?), daughter of Thomas Howe (?-1720/21). MARRIED ca. 1700 Mary Keene, widow of Richard Hooper (?-1693). CHILDREN, SONS: Thomas (?-1738), justice of Prince George's County from 1733 to 1738, who married first, Ann Belt, and second, Ann Wheeler Fogg: Richard: Charles: and John (1713-1790), who married Sarah Magruder. DAUGHTERS: Elizabeth, who married (first name unknown) Prather; Sarah; Martha; Margaret; and Anne. PRI-VATE CAREER, EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Protestant, probably an Anglican. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: planter. PUBLIC CA-REER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Prince George's County, 1712 (resigned after the 1st session to become sheriff). LOCAL OFFICES: constable, Prince George's County, 1705-1706; justice, Prince George's County, 1706-1709, 1710-1713, 1716-1719; sheriff, Prince George's County, 1713-1716, 1719-1722. MILITARY SERVICE: captain, by 1709-1717. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME, LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 500-800 acres (inherited 800 acres from his father). WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: in 1732, PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £502.9.7 (including 14 slaves); FB, £244.2.1. LAND: at least 1,670 acres.

CLAGETT, THOMAS (1740/41–1792). BORN: on February 12, 1740/41, in Prince George's Parish, Prince George's County; eldest son. NATIVE: fourth generation. RESIDED: in Piscataway, Prince George's County. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: